

A Carol of Mary

a setting of a Middle English poem

by

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for Choir (SATB) and Organ

Of one that is so fair and bright,
Velut maris stella,
Brighter than the dayes light,
Parens et puella,
I cry to thee; thou see to me!
Lady, pray thy son for me,
Tam pia,
That I mote come to thee
Maria.

Lady, flower of alle thing,
Rosa sine spina,
Thou bore Jesu, heavenes king,
Gratia divina.
Of alle thou bearest the prize,
Lady, queen of Paradise
Electa.
Maide milde mother is
Effecta.

Of care conseil thou art best,
Felix fecundata,
Of alle weary thou art rest,
Mater honorata.
Beseech him with milde mood
That for us alle shed his blood
In cruce
That we moten come to him
In luce.

All this wored were forlore
Eva peccatrice,
Till our Loverd was y-bore
De te genetrice.
With 'Ave' it went away
Thuster night, and com'th the day
Salutis.
The welle springeth out of thee
Virtutis.

Well he wot he is thy son
Ventre quem portasti;
He will not werne thee thy boon,
Parvum quem lactasti.
So hende and so good he is,
He haveth brought us to bliss
Superni,
That hath y-dit the foule pit
Inferni.

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Andantino

Soprano

Of one that is so fair and bright, *Ve-lut ma-ris stel-la*, Brigh-ter than the

Contralto

Tenor

Bass

Organ

pp

pp

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S

da-yes light, *Pa-rens et pu-el-la*, I cry to thee; thou see to me! La-dy, pray thy son for me,

org

S

Tam pi-a, That I mo-te come to thee *Ma-ri-a*, *Ma-ri-a*.

org

p

23 *p*

S La - dy, flower of al - le thing, Ro - sa si - ne spi - na,

A La - dy, flower of al - le thing, Ro - sa si - ne spi - na,

T La - dy, flower of al - le thing, Ro - sa si - ne spi - na,

B Ro - - - - - sa, ro - - - - - sa,

org

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S Thou bore Je - su, hea - venes king, Gra - ti - a di - vi - na. Of al - le thou

A Thou bore Je - su, hea - venes king, Gra - ti - a di - vi - na. Of al - le thou

T Thou bore Je - su, hea - venes king, Gra - ti - a di - vi - na. Of al - le thou

B Gra - - - - - ti - a di - vi - - - - - na. Of al - le thou

org

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S bearst the prize, La - dy, queen of Pa - ra - dise E - - - lec - ta. Mai - de mil - de

A bearst the prize, La - dy, queen of Pa - ra - dise E - lec - - - ta. Mai - de mil - de

T bearst the prize, La - dy, queen of Pa - ra - dise E - - - lec - ta. Mai - de mil - de

B bearst the prize, La - dy, queen of Pa - ra - dise E - - - lec - ta. Mai - de mil - de

org

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S mo - ther is Ef - - - fec - ta, ef - - - fec - ta. Of ca - re con - seil

A mo - ther is Ef - - - fec - ta, ef - - - fec - ta. Of ca - re con - seil

T mo - ther is Ef - - - fec - ta, ef - - - fec - ta.

B mo - ther is Ef - - - fec - ta, ef - - - fec - ta.

org

S
thou art best, *Fe - lix fe - cun - da - ta,*

A
thou art best, *Fe - lix fe - cun - da - ta,*

T
Of al - le wea-ry thou art rest, *Ma - ter ho - no - ra - ta.*

B
Of al - le wea-ry thou art rest, *Ma - ter ho - no - ra - ta.*

org

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S
Be - seech him with mil - de mood That for us al - le shed his blood *In cru - ce*

A
Be - seech him with mil - de mood That for us al - le shed his blood *In cru - ce*

T
Be-seech him with mil - de mood That for us al - le shed his blood *In cru - ce*

B
Be-seech him with mil - de mood That for us al - le shed his blood *In cru - ce*

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org

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S That we mo - ten come to him *In lu - ce, in lu - ce.*

A That we mo - ten come to him *In lu - ce, in lu - ce.*

T That we mo - ten come to him *In lu - ce, in lu - ce.*

B That we mo - ten come to him *In lu - ce, in lu - ce.*

org (4')

S All this wo - reld were for - lore Till our Lo - verd

A All this wo - reld were for - lore Till our Lo - verd

T

B *E - va pec - ca - tri - ce,*
E - va pec - ca - tri - ce,

org (8')

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S was y - bore With 'A - ve' it went a - way

A was y - bore With 'A - ve' it went a -

T De te ge - ne - tri - ce. With 'A - ve' it went a -

B De te ge - ne - tri - ce. With 'A - ve' it went a -

org

80 *crescendo*

S Thus - ter night, and com'th the day Sa - - - lu - tis. The wel - le sprin - geth

A way Thus - ter night, and com'th the day Sa - - - lu - tis. The wel - le sprin - geth

T way Thus - ter night, and com'th the day Sa - - - lu - tis. The wel - le sprin - geth

B way Thus - ter night, and com'th the day Sa - - - lu - tis. The wel - le sprin - geth

org

(+ 8')

p

S out of thee Vir - - - tu - tis, vir - - - tu - tis.

A out of thee Vir - - - tu - tis, vir - - - tu - tis.

T out of thee Vir - - - tu - tis, vir - - - tu - tis.

B out of thee Vir - - - tu - tis, vir - - - tu - tis.

org

f sop I & alt I

S *f* Well he wot he is thy son Ven - tre quem por -

A Well he wot he is thy son Ven - tre quem por - tas -

T *f* Well he wot he is thy son Ven - tre quem por -

B Well he is thy son Ven - tre quem por - tas - - -

org

(16' optional)

S
tas - - - ti; He will not de - ny thee thy boon, *Par-vum quem lac - tas - ti.*

A
ti; He will not de - ny thee thy boon, *Par - vum quem lac - tas - - - ti.*

T
tas - - - ti; He will not de - ny thee thy boon, *Par-vum quem lac - tas - ti.*

B
ti; He will not de - ny thee thy boon, *Par - vum quem lac - tas - - - ti.*

org

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S *sop*
So gra-cious and so good he is, He ha-veth brought us to bliss

A *alt*
So gra-cious and so good he is, He brought us to bliss

T
So gra-cious and so good he is, He brought us to bliss

B
So gra-cious and so good he is, He brought us to bliss

org

pp

S *p* Su - - per - ni, That hath y - dit the fou - le pit *pp* In - - - fer - ni, in - - - fer - ni.

A *p* Su - - per - ni, That hath y - dit the fou - le pit In - - - fer - ni, in - - - fer - ni.

T *p* Su - - per - ni, That hath y - dit the fou - le pit In - - - fer - ni, in - - - fer - ni.

B *p* Su - - per - ni, That hath y - dit the fou - le pit In - - - fer - ni, in - - - fer - ni.

org *pp* *p* (4')

org

